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SUBJECT: CERTAIN KEY KHMER PERSONNEL ARRIVE U-TAPAO ON THEIR OWN

1. AMBASSADOR DEAN RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALL FROM
BGENERAL PALMER (CHIEF, MEDTC) IN SAMAE SAN MORNING
APRIL 18. LATTER PASSED ON FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
(A) LTGENERAL SAK SUTSAKHAN, CHIEF OF STAFF OF FANK,
ARRIVED IN U-TAPAO MORNING APRIL 18. WITH HIM WERE HIS
WIFE, MRS. SIRIK MATAK, MRS. EA CHHONG AND FIVE CHILDREN,
MINISTER OF SECURITY VAN SOR, BGENERAL THACH RENG
(COMMANDER SPECIAL FORCES), BGENERAL PAO LIM SINA (DEPUTY
COMMANDER KAF), AND MR. KON THA (DIRECTOR LONG BORET'S
CABINET). GENERAL PALMER DID NOT HAVE THE NAMES OF THE
OTHER KHMER REFUGEES, BUT PRESUMABLY THEY ARE NOT IN
THE VIP CATEGORY.

(B) LTG SAK SUTSAKHAN SAID THAT ON THE EVENING OF
APRIL 16 HE HAD ASKED LTG SIRIK MATAK TO COME TO HIS HEAD-
QUARTERS IN CASE KHMER LEADERS HAD TO FLEE PHNOM PENH.
SIRIK MATAK REFUSED THIS OFFER AND SENT HIS WIFE,
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WHO STAYED WITH MRS. SAK SUTSAKHAN. HENCE SIRIK MATAK

REFUSED FOR THE SECOND TIME AN OFFER TO EVACUATE HIM (FIRST OFFER WAS ONE AMB DEAN MADE ON APRIL 12).

(C) LTG SAK SUTSAKHAN SAID THAT HE LEFT BY HELICOPTER FROM THE PHNOM PENH OLYMPIC STADIUM MORNING OF APRIL 17. LONG BORET WAS IN A SECOND HELICOPTER, BUT DESCENDED TO HELP HIS FAMILY. PILOT TOOK OFF WHILE BORET AND HIS FAMILY WERE ON GROUND. TO THE BEST OF HIS KNOWLEDGE LONG BORET AND FAMILY ARE STILL IN PHNOM PENH AND HE DOES NOT KNOW THEIR FATE. SAK SUTSAKHAN'S HELICOPTER FLEW FIRST TO KOMPONG THOM, WHERE IT REFUELED AND THEN WENT ON TO ODDAR MEANCHEY, WHERE PARTY SPENT THE NIGHT. THIS MORNING, APRIL 18, THEY ARRIVED AT U-TAPAO.

(D) BG EA CHHONG, FORMER COMMANDER OF KAF, IS IN THAILAND BUT SAK SUTSAKHAN DOES NOT KNOW WHERE.

(E) ADMIRAL SARENDY IS STILL IN PHNOM PENH AND LAST SAK SUTSAKHAN HAD HEARD, THE KHMER NAVY HAD HOISTED WHITE FLAG.

2. GENERAL PALMER SAID THAT THAI IMMIGRATION SERVICES ARE NOW PROCESSING THE REFUGEES WHO CAME WITH LTG SAK SUTSAKHAN. THAI GENERAL KRIANGSAK HAS BEEN NOTIFIED OF THE ARRIVAL OF THE KHMER MILITARY PERSONALITIES, BUT SO FAR NO THAI OFFICIAL HAS BEEN SENT TO COPE WITH THIS PARTY. US MILITARY AUTHORITIES AT U-TAPAO ARE MERELY KEEPING COMPANY WITH LTG SAK SUTSAKHAN, BUT ONWARD ARRANGEMENTS FOR KHMER MILITARY WHO ARRIVED TODAY ARE CONSIDERED TO BE MATTER BETWEEN KHMER REFUGEES AND THAI AUTHORITIES.
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